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**VALLEJO MAN SENTENCED TO OVER 21 YEARS IMPRISONMENT
FOR DISTRIBUTING AND ORDERING CHILD PORNOGRAPHY
OVER THE INTERNET**

SACRAMENTO--United States Attorney McGregor W. Scott announced today that JAMES RAY GARNER, 66, of Vallejo, was sentenced today by United States District Judge William B. Shubb to 262 months imprisonment. On April 19, 2006, the defendant pleaded guilty to attempting to receive and distributing child pornography over the Internet.

This case is the product of a joint investigation by the United States Postal Inspection Service, San Francisco Division, and the Walnut Creek Police Department.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Camil A. Skipper, who prosecuted the case, GARNER's sentence reflects enhancements for materials depicting the sadistic abuse of minors, and for GARNER's sexual abuse or exploitation of at least two minors.

Judge Shubb, in sentencing the defendant, acknowledged that the length of the sentence might require GARNER to spend the rest of his life in prison. The judge noted that, in light of GARNER's recent conduct, he was "still a danger to the public." Addressing GARNER directly, Judge Shubb stated, "If you were out, you would still pose a danger to other people's children."

As part of his sentence, GARNER forfeited his computer and 14 compact discs containing child pornography to the government, and he will be required to register as a sex offender. When he is released from prison, he will serve an eight-year term of supervised

release.

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